

AMENDMENTS TO THE DRAWINGS

Please replace Figures 1-7 with the attached replacement sheets. The changes made to the Figures include placing reference numbers inside of the referenced shapes, removing handwritten reference numbers, changing "Fig" to "Figure," and removing extraneous copier markings. Further, with respect to Figure 1, reference number 120 is added to comply with the Specification (*see, e.g.,* page 14, line 18 of the Specification). Applicant asserts that no new subject matter is added by way of these amendments.

REMARKS

Please reconsider the application in view of the above amendments and the following remarks. Applicants thank the Examiner for indicating that claims 3-5, 12, 13, 15, and 22-24 contain allowable subject matter and for indicating that claims 17-19 are allowed.

Objections to the Drawings

The drawings are objected to because Figure 3 has informal, hand-drawn lettering and is blurry. Applicants hereby submit seven replacement sheets for Figures 1-7. The seven replacement sheets include a replacement sheet for Figure 3 that removes the informal, hand-drawn lettering and the blurriness. Accordingly, withdrawal of this objection is respectfully requested. Further, Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner acknowledge the drawings as acceptable in the next action.

Disposition of the Claims

Claims 1-28 are pending in this application. Claims 5, 12, and 24 are canceled by way of this reply. Of the pending claims, claims 1, 10, 17, and 20 are independent. The remaining claims depend, directly or indirectly, from claims 1, 10, 17, and 20. Further, independent claim 29 is added by way of this reply. Dependent claims 30 and 31 are added by way of this reply and are dependent from new claim 29.

Amendments to the Claims

Claims 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 20, 21, 25, and 28 are amended by way of this reply. Specifically, claims 1, 10, and 20 are amended to include the limitations of claims 5, 12, and 24, respectively. Claim 14 is amended to remove the word "substantially." Claim 25 is amended to correct a typographical error. Further, claims 1, 2, 6, 9, 10, 13, 14, 20, 21, 25, and 28 are amended to remove alphanumeric identifiers. No new subject matter is added by way of these claim amendments. Furthermore, no new consideration or search is required based on these amendments.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112

Claim 14 is rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for including the phrase “substantially complies with the J2EE Assisted Take-Off (JATO) Specification.” Claim 14 is amended to remove the word “substantially.” Thus, claim 14 as amended complies with 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

Rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e)

Claims 1, 2, 6-11, 16, 20, 21, and 25-28 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as being anticipated by U.S. Patent Application Publication No. 2002/0159601 A1 (“Bushmitch”). To the extent that this rejection applies to the amended claims, this rejection is respectfully traversed.

As stated by the Examiner, claims 5, 12, and 24 contain allowable subject matter. *See* Office Action dated April 6, 2007, page 7. Independent claims 1, 10, and 20 are amended to include the limitations of claims 5, 12, and 24, respectively. Accordingly, amended independent claims 1, 10, and 20 are allowable over Bushmitch. Dependent claims 2, 6-9, 11, 16, 21, and 25-28, which depend directly or indirectly from amended claims 1, 10, and 20, are allowable for at least the same reasons. Withdrawal of this rejection is respectfully requested.

New Claim

New independent claim 29 includes the limitations of claims 1-3 as originally filed. New dependent claim 30 and 31 include the limitations of claims 4 and 6 as originally filed. No new matter is added by way of the new claims as the subject matter is found in the originally filed claims. As stated by the Examiner, claim 3, which includes the limitations of claim 3, contains allowable subject matter. *See* Office Action dated April 6, 2007, page 7. Accordingly, new claim 29 is allowable. New dependent claims 30 and 31, which depend, directly or indirectly, from claim 29 are allowable for at least the same reasons. Favorable consideration of new claims 29-31 is respectfully requested.

Conclusion

Applicants believe this reply is fully responsive to all outstanding issues and places this application in condition for allowance. If this belief is incorrect, or other issues arise, the Examiner is encouraged to contact the undersigned or his associates at the telephone number listed below. Please apply any charges not covered, or any credits, to Deposit Account 50-0591 (Reference Number 03226/530001; P8961).

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Attachments (Replacement Sheets for Figures 1-7)